IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PRONGHORN PETROLEUM JOINT VENTURE TO INJECT SALTWATER INTO THE FEDERAL 1-26 SWD WELL IN SECTION 26, T9N-R59E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 33-2000

Docket No. 34-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant seeks to inject saltwater from the Halmans 1-26 well located in the SW¼SE¼ of Section 26, T9N-R59E, into well number 1-26 SWD located in the NE¼ SW¼ of said Section 26. The water disposal well is located on federal lease MTM 84143 and also on federal surface. There is no production on the lease but the disposal well is permitted under a right-of-way (MTM 67009).
- 3. The evidence indicates that the application should be granted subject to the conditions set forth below.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Pronghorn Petroleum Joint Venture be granted a Class II injection well permit for its Federal 1-26 SWD well in Section 26, T9N-R59E, Fallon County, Montana, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Surface injection pressure is limited to 1163 psig.
- 2. Remedial cement and a cement bond log is required on the backside of the longstring casing of the injection well from at least 7100 feet to 7800 feet below ground level.
- 3. A cast iron bridge plug, or other adequate plug, must be set approximately 7720 feet below ground level and pressure tested.
- 4. A successful mechanical integrity test must be performed.
- 5. Pronghorn Petroleum Joint Venture must file a transfer of the federal right-of-way and a bond in the amount of \$5,000 with the United States Bureau of Land Management.
- 6. The injection zone must be isolated from all other zones to ensure the fluids are being injected into the approved formation.

BOARD ORDER NO. 33-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	_

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WADE S. HAWLEY DBA GALLUP CITY OIL FOR RELIEF FROM BOARD ORDER 104-97, WHICH SHUT IN PRODUCTION FROM APPLICANT'S FACILITIES IN PONDERA AND TETON COUNTIES, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 34-2000

Docket No. 35-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Chairman David Ballard disqualified himself from the proceedings. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant is presently in full compliance with the Board's rules and should be allowed to resume production of oil from his facilities.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the restrictions on applicant's production contained in Board Order 104-97 are revoked.

BOARD ORDER NO. 34-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	_

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING,
L.P. TO DRILL UP TO FOUR RED RIVER HORIZONTAL TEST WELLS
IN A 640 ACRE SPACING UNIT CONSISTING OF ALL OF SECTION 26,
T9N-R58E, FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO
THE MONARCH FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER
12-59.

Docket No. 36-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Encore Operating, L.P. is authorized to drill up to four Red River horizontal test wells in a 640 acre spacing unit consisting of all of Section 26, T9N-R58E, Fallon County, Montana, as an exception to the Monarch Field rules established by Board Order 12-59.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said wells be no closer than 660 feet to the section boundaries.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant complete and submit a federal communitization agreement to the appropriate Bureau of Land Management office upon completion of well capable of production.

BOARD ORDER NO. 35-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
ATTEST:	Stanley Lund, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF JURASSIC RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT NORTH AMERICA TO ENLARGE THE PINE GAS FIELD TO INCLUDE THE NW ¼ AND SW ¼ OF SECTION 2 AND ALL OF SECTION 13, T11N-R57E, WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 36-2000

Docket No. 37-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Pine Gas Field, established by Board Orders 35-54, 37-62, 37-62A, and 16-97, is amended to include the NW¼ and the SW¼ of Section 2 and all of Section 13, T11NR57E, Wibaux County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 36-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
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	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF JURASSIC RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT NORTH AMERICA TO ENLARGE THE PINE GAS FIELD TO INCLUDE THE E ½ OF SECTION 16, T11NR57E, WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA, AND ESTABLISH SPACING FOR FORMATIONS FROM 700 TO 2750 FEET IN DEPTH.

ORDER NO. 37-2000

Docket No. 2-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application as hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Pine Gas Field as established by Board Orders 35-54, 37-62, 37-62A, and 16-97 is enlarged to include the E½ of Section 16, T11NR57E, Wibaux County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that spacing is established at one well per 160 acre regular quarter section with wells to be located anywhere within the spacing unit but not less than 660 feet from the spacing unit boundary with a topographic tolerance of 460 feet.

BOARD ORDER NO. 37-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	_

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, LLC TO DESIGNATE THE NE¼ OF SECTION 9 AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 10, T25N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A PERMANENT SPACING UNIT FOR THE NISKU FORMATION AND DESIGNATING ITS TILLER #1-9 WELL AS THE PERMITTED WELL FOR SAID SPACING UNIT AND TO COMMINGLE PRODUCTION FROM THE RED RIVER AND NISKU FORMATIONS IN SAID WELL. [EAST CHARLIE CREEK FIELD]

ORDER NO. 38-2000

Docket No. 39-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the NE¼ of Section 9 and the NW ¼ of Section 10, T25NR55E, Richland County, Montana, are designated as a permanent spacing unit for the Nisku Formation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant's Tiller #1-9 well is designated as the permitted well for said spacing unit.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to commingle production from the Red River and Nisku Formations in said well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 38-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
TTEST:	

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, ORDER NO. 39-2000 LLC TO DRILL, COMPLETE, AND PRODUCE TWO WELLS FROM THE RATCLIFFE/MISSION CANYON FORMATIONS WITHIN THE SE¼ OF SECTION 18, THE NE¼ OF SECTION 19, AND THE NW¼ OF SECTION 20, ALL IN T29N-R59E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA. [RED BANK AREA]

Docket No. 40-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Berco Resources, LLC is authorized to drill, complete, and produce two wells from the Ratcliffe/Mission Canyon Formations within each of the following 160 acre spacing units as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702:

- 1. The SE¼ of Section 18, T29N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
- 2. The NE¼ of Section 19, T29N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana.
- 3. The NW1/4 of Section 20, T29N-R59E, Roosevelt County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said wells be not closer than 660 feet to the unit boundaries with a 150 foot tolerance for topographic reasons.

BOARD ORDER NO. 39-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, LLC TO COMMINGLE PRODUCTION FROM THE RED RIVER AND WINNIPEGOSIS FORMATIONS IN ITS BREKKE #1 WELL LOCATED IN THE S½ OF SECTION 1, T33NR55E, WAKEA FIELD, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 40-2000

Docket No. 41-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Berco Resources, LLC is authorized to commingle production from the Red River and Winnipegosis Formations in its Brekke #1 well located in the $S\frac{1}{2}$ of Section1, T33N-R55E, Wakea Field, Sheridan County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 40-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, LLC TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL TEST WELL IN THE CHARLES FORMATION IN A 160 ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT CONSISTING OF THE SE¼ OF SECTION 6, T16N-R54E, DAWSON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE WOODROW FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 47-62.

ORDER NO. 41-2000

Docket No. 42-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Berco Resources, LLC is authorized to drill a horizontal test well in the Charles Formation in a 160 acre temporary spacing unit consisting of the SE¼ of Section 6, T16N-R54E, Dawson County, Montana, as an exception to the Woodrow Field rules established by Board Order 47-62.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said well be no closer than 330 feet to the exterior boundaries of said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 41-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, LLC TO DRILL A DUAL LATERAL HORIZONTAL TEST WELL IN THE INTERLAKE AND RED RIVER FORMATIONS IN A 160 ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT CONSISTING OF THE SE¼ OF SECTION 6, T16N-R54E, DAWSON COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO COMMINGLE SUCH PRODUCTION AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE WOODROW FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 47-62.

ORDER NO. 42-2000

Docket No. 43-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Berco Resources, LLC is authorized to drill a dual lateral horizontal test well in the Interlake and Red River Formations in a 160 acre temporary spacing unit consisting of the SE¼ of Section 6, T16N-R54E, Dawson County, Montana, and to commingle such production as an exception to the Woodrow Field rules established by Board Order 47-62.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said well be no closer than 330 feet to the exterior boundaries of said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 42-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BERCO RESOURCES, LLC TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL TEST WELL IN THE CHARLES FORMATION IN A 160 ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT CONSISTING OF THE NW¼ OF SECTION 17, T16N-R54E, DAWSON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE WOODROW FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 47-62.

ORDER NO. 43-2000

Docket No. 44-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Berco Resources, LLC is authorized to drill a horizontal test well in the Charles Formation in a 160 acre temporary spacing unit consisting of the NW¼ of Section 17, T16N-R54E, Dawson County, Montana, as an exception to the Woodrow Field rules established by Board Order 47-62.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said well be no closer than 330 feet to the exterior boundaries of said temporary spacing unit.

BOARD ORDER NO. 43-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF YELLOWSTONE PETROLEUMS INC. TO RECOMPLETE ITS ESSEX COBB #2 WELL IN SECTION 14, T37N-R5W, GLACIER COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN INJECTION WELL INTO THE MADISON LIMESTONE.

ORDER NO. 44-2000

Docket No. 45-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant proposes to recomplete its Essex Cobb #2 well in Section 14, T37N-R5W, Glacier County, Montana, as an injection well into the Madison Limestone. Applicant proposes to inject water from the Cut Bank Sands into the Madison Limestone at a depth of 2745 feet.
- 3. Granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Yellowstone Petroleums Inc. is authorized to recomplete its Essex Cobb #2 well in Section 14, T37N-R5W, Glacier County, Montana, as an injection well in the Madison Limestone subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The maximum surface injection pressure is limited to 818 psig.
- 2. An aquifer exemption must be obtained from the United States Environmental Protection Agency prior to beginning injection.
- 3. A successful mechanical integrity test must be performed prior to injecting.
- 4. If upward fluid flow occurs through the wellbore of any well within the area of review, injection must be discontinued until proper remedial work under supervision of the Board is completed.

BOARD ORDER NO. 44-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HAWLEY OIL FOR A CLASS II SALTWATER DISPOSAL PERMIT FOR THE H.B. ERICKSON #3 WELL IN SECTION 3, T27N-R4W, PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 45-2000

Docket No. 47-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Chairman David Ballard disqualified himself from the proceedings. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant requests a Class II saltwater disposal permit for its H.B. Erickson #3 well located 1540 FSL and 1540 FWL of Section 3, T27N-R4W, Pondera County, Montana. The source of the injected fluids will be produced water from the Madison Formation in the Pondera Field. The proposed disposal zone is the Madison Formation at a depth of 1879 to 1931 feet.
 - 3. The application should be granted subject to the conditions contained herein.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Hawley Oil is granted a Class II saltwater disposal permit for its H.B. Erickson #3 well located 1540 FSL and 1540 FWL of Section 3, T27N-R4W, Pondera County, Montana, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Surface injection pressure is limited to 564 psig.
- 2. The requirement for a cement bond log is waived.

BOARD ORDER NO. 45-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	•
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF MERRILL S. HAWLEY DBA HAWLEY OIL, HAWLEY HYDROCARBONS, AND HAWLEY NORTHROP FOR RELIEF FROM BOARD ORDER 104-97.

ORDER NO. 46-2000

Docket No. 57-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Chairman David Ballard disqualified himself from the proceedings. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Applicant's operations were ordered to be shut in by Board Order 104-97 but said order did not become effective until January, 2000. Applicant's operations are not yet in full compliance with the Board's rules but applicant pleads that he needs the cash flow provided by production to finance the work needed to bring his operations into full compliance.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Board Order 104-97 is suspended as to Merrill S. Hawley until July 13, 2000, at which time applicant shall appear before this Board and present evidence that his operations are in full compliance with the Board's rules.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall allow no surface discharge of fluids from any of its operations during said period. THERE WILL BE ZERO TOLERANCE FOR SURFACE DISCHARGE.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrator is authorized and directed to shut in applicant's production if any surface discharge of fluids occurs on any of applicants operations. Any such shut in ordered by the Administrator shall remain in effect no longer than the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

BOARD ORDER NO. 46-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL 990 FWL AND 1980 FSL OF SECTION 4, T27N-R19E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 95-99.

ORDER NO. 47-2000

Docket No. 48-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an Eagle Sand Formation gas well at a location 1044 FWL and 2273 FSL of Section 4, T27N-R19E, Blaine County, Montana, as an exception to the Sawtooth Mountain Field rules.

BOARD ORDER NO. 47-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL THREE ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELLS IN SECTION 24, T27N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA. [SAWTOOTH MOUNTAIN FIELD]

ORDER NO. 48-2000

Docket No. 49-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells within Section 24, T27N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, on a quarter section basis with 990 foot setbacks from the section line with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons, as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said Section 24 be included within the Sawtooth Mountain Field established by Board Order 45-76.

BOARD ORDER NO. 48-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Josh Ving Doord Mambar
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	<u> </u>

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN EAGLE-VIRGELLE FORMATION GAS WELL 773 FWL AND 2162 FSL WITHIN THE SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF THE S½ OF SECTION 27, T27N-R16E, CHOUTEAU COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE BULLWACKER FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 26-74.

ORDER NO. 49-2000

Docket No. 50-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an Eagle-Virgelle Formation gas well 773 FWL and 2162 FSL of the S½ of Section 27, T27NR16E, Chouteau County, Montana, with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons as an exception to the Bullwacker Field rules established by Board Order 26-74.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant complete and submit a federal communitization agreement to the appropriate Bureau of Land Management office upon completion of well capable of production.

BOARD ORDER NO. 49-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE-VIRGELLE FORMATION GAS WELL WITHIN THE N½ OF SECTION 27, T27N-R16E, CHOUTEAU COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE BULLWACKER FIELD RULES ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 26-74.

ORDER NO. 50-2000

Docket No. 51-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional Eagle-Virgelle Formation gas well at a location 1613 FNL and 2141 FEL in the N½ of Section 27, T27NR16E, Chouteau County, Montana, with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons as an exception to the Bullwacker Field rules established by Board Order 26-74.

BOARD ORDER NO. 50-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL THREE ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELLS WITHIN SECTION 33, T32N-R14E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AS EXCEPTIONS TO A.R.M. 36.22.702. [TIGER RIDGE FIELD]

ORDER NO. 51-2000

Docket No. 52-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill three additional Eagle Sand Formation gas wells on a quarter section basis within Section 33, T32N-R14E, Hill County, Montana, with 990 foot setbacks from the section line and minimum setbacks of 660 feet from the interior quarter section boundary lines thereof with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to drill its Daniel #33-12-32-14 well 850 FWL and 2310 FSL in said Section 33, with a 75 foot tolerance for topographic or geologic reasons as an exception to A.R.M. 36.22.702.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said Section 33 is included within the Tiger Ridge Field.

BOARD ORDER NO. 51-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

David Ballard, Chairman Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman George Galuska, Board Member Jack King, Board Member Allen Kolstad, Board Member Stanley Lund, Board Member ATTEST: Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AT A LOCATION 1200 FWL AND 2200 FSL OF SECTION 32, T32N-R14E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 52-2000

Docket No. 53-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill its Berg #32-12-32-14 well in Section 32, T32N-R14E, Hill County, Montana, at a location 1200 FWL and 2200 FSL with a 75 foot tolerance for topographic or geologic reasons as an exception to Board Order 9-2000.

BOARD ORDER NO. 52-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

David Ballard, Chairman
Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
George Galuska, Board Member
Jack King, Board Member
Allen Kolstad, Board Member
Stanley Lund, Board Member
Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL WITHIN THE NE'4 OF SECTION 1, T27N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 53-2000

Docket No. 54-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well in the NE¼ of Section 1, T27N-R18E, Blaine County, Montana, at a location 3080 FNL and 1000 FEL with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board Order 25-99 is amended in accordance herewith.

BOARD ORDER NO. 53-2000

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL IN THE NW¼ OF SECTION 24, T30N-R15E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE TIGER RIDGE FIELD RULES.

ORDER NO. 54-2000

Docket No. 55-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Board member Allen Kolstad was not present for the hearing on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well in the NW¼ of Section 24, T30N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, 500 FNL and 2310 FWL with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction but east for topographic or geologic reasons, as an exception to the Tiger Ridge Field rules established by Board Orders 10-70, 9-90 and 1-90 FED.

BOARD ORDER NO. 54-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF OCEAN ENERGY RESOURCES, INC. TO DRILL AN EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL IN THE SW¼ OF SECTION 13, T30N-R15E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE TIGER RIDGE FIELD RULES.

ORDER NO. 55-2000

Docket No. 56-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Board member Allen Kolstad was absent for the hearing on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Ocean Energy Resources, Inc. is authorized to drill an additional Eagle Sand Formation gas well in the SW¼ of Section 13, T30N-R15E, Hill County, Montana, at a location 2310 FSL and 2310 FWL with a 75 foot tolerance in any direction for topographic or geologic reasons as an exception to the Tiger Ridge Field rules.

BOARD ORDER NO. 55-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member

IN THE MATTER OF C-W OIL AND GAS AND ITS OBLIGATION TO PLUG WELLS AND RESTORE THE SURFACE OF CERTAIN OIL AND GAS LEASES IN THE KEVIN SUNBURST FIELD, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 56-2000

Docket No. 58-2000

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 6th day of April, 2000, in the Billings Petroleum Club, Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Board member Allen Kolstad was absent for the hearing on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. C-W Oil and Gas has several unplugged and unrestored well sites in the Kevin Sunburst Field in Toole County, Montana. A representative of C-W Oil and Gas appeared and stated it was unable to promptly plug and restore all the sites. Because the Board needs more information about the ability of C-W Oil and Gas to promptly bring its operations into compliance with Board rules, the following order is entered.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that C-W Oil and Gas appear before this Board at its meeting on May 18, 2000, at 8:00 am, or as soon thereafter as it can be heard, in the Petroleum Club in the Sheraton Hotel in Billings, Montana, then and there to present its plan for plugging and restoring said well sites and report on its present production and provide full financial information as to its ability to complete the plugging and restoration of all of the well sites for which it is responsible in a reasonable time period.

BOARD ORDER NO. 56-2000

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 6th day of April, 2000.

	David Ballard, Chairman
	Denzil Young, Vice-Chairman
	George Galuska, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Stanley Lund, Board Member
ATTEST:	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	